

Town of Richmond

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August 9, 2021 Meeting

Selectmen present: William Daniels, Douglas Bersaw and Andrew Wallace

Public Present: Fran Heap

Non-Board member present: Susan Harrington

Meeting opened at 5:35 pm

Amendments to August 2, 2021 meeting

Correction 1: Minutes read: Letter from Town Clerk, Karen O'Brien to the Board of Selectmen with concerns in regard to the set up and parking for the Agricultural Fair at the Four Corner location on Sunday, August 29th which is the same day as the Fire Department BBQ.

Minutes should have read: Letter from Agricultural Commission Member, Karen O'Brien to the Board of Selectmen with concerns in regard to the set up and parking for the Agricultural Fair at the Four Corner location on Sunday, August 29th which is the same day as the Fire Department BBQ.

Correction 2: Minutes Read: Kim Mattson met with the Board to advise of the status of the variance application for 160 Sandy Pond Road-Map 405 Lot 016. Also, there is a big washout due to the heavy rains. Board issued letter stating the

Minutes should have read: Kim Mattson met with the Board to advise of the status of the variance application for 160 Sandy Pond Road-Map 405 Lot 016. Also, there is a big washout due to the heavy rains. Mattson to contact Peter Guertin, responsible party for property owner Doreen McCobb.

Bersaw moved; Daniels 2nd; Board approved minutes from the August 4, 2021 site walk at 343 Fitzwilliam Road, Map 407 Lot 095.

Daniels moved; Bersaw 2nd; Board voted to approved the manifest dated August 9, 2021 for week of July 30, 2021-August 5, 2021 in the amount of: \$ 11,383.26 for payroll/accounts payable.

Notice of Acceptance of Permit Application received from the State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services reference Individual Subsurface Disposal System. Map 415 Lot 008-560 Whipple Hill Road. Read.

Report received from Zoning Compliance Officer Richard Drew reference Map 201 Lot 048-Winchester Road. ZCO visited to check on possible Wetland Conservation District Ordinance violation by excavation and additional driveway exiting on Route 119, both of which are visible from the road. ZCO and property owner walked property there is an existing foundation drain and ditch in the wetlands. The ditch extends 75-100' into the wetlands. No State issued Wetland Permit on file for the ditch and pipe, owner states he was unaware that he needed one. A carport type shelter has been constructed in Wetland Conservation District with a camper inside and a

driveway leading to it from the house. Several (a dozen -/+) trees have been pushed over and uprooted in the wetlands. ZCO told owner to cease all work in the wetlands and within 75' of them until the Richmond Conservation Commission is consulted and makes its recommendations. The property was granted a variance and special exception for wetland and lot line setbacks. These rulings did not include the excavation of wetlands or construction in the Wetland Conservation District of more than the house and septic system. The septic and house locations DO conform to the Zoning Board decisions. ZCO approved the renewal of Building Permit 2019-020. Harrington left voicemail for ZCO for clarification.

Request from Bonnie McCarthy of the Richmond Historical Society requesting permission for the Richmond Historical Society to erect a sign for the telephone building. McCarthy states the sign will mimic the signs at Brewer Park and the Tramp House. Harrington to respond to all members of RHS. Board approved. Harrington to notify RHS.

Daniels signed Assurances of Compliance with Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and a U.S. Department of the Treasury Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. Documents required to apply for the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Program from the State under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Harrington will upload documents to the Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Rescue.

Daniels moved; Wallace 2nd; Board signed letter of doomage for Map 407 Lot 094 Sub 002.

Estimate from Leonard W. Lawrence Excavating Inc received. Reference right of way upgrade to Class 5-Bowker Road.

Harrington advised Jennifer Rhodes delivered emergency equipment from the State of New Hampshire to the Veteran's Memorial Hall for use as an emergency shelter. Items delivered were cots, pillows, sheets and blankets, tables, chairs and wheelchairs.

Wallace contacted Southwest Regional Planning Commission to advise of 9 volunteers for the Broadband Committee.

Wallace attempted to contact Jeff Prack at First Light, he is on vacation. Wallace will try again.

Harrington advised Board the Richmond Historical Society would like to use 6 chairs and 3 tables for Richmond Day on August 29, 2021. Board approved. Harrington to notify RHS.

Harrington advised Peter Guertin of 160 Sandy Pond Road would like for the Board to put in writing that buildings get measured by footprint, not outside wall to outside wall. The State of New Hampshire and Town of Richmond Planning Board all measure from outside wall to outside wall. The Board of Selectmen state structures should be measured from outside wall to outside wall.

Harrington left voicemail for the Zoning Compliance Officer, clarification is needed on renewal of building permit for Map 201 Lot 048.

Appointments

Bonnie Pratt and Jon Pratt met with the Board to discuss building permits on Map 405 Lot 086 Sub 001. J. Pratt submitted a building permit and septic plan. J Pratt would like to be notified prior to the Zoning Compliance Officer coming to visit the building site. Harrington will advise ZCO.

Buddy Blood met with the Board spoke about driveway on Activity Road/Honey Hill Road, reference Map 402 Lot 057 and 058. Building questions Board suggested to Buddy to speak with ZCO, Richard Drew regarding Map 402 Lot 063.

Wallace moved; Bersaw 2nd; the Board voted to enter into nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.

Roll Call: Daniels (Y), Bersaw (Y) and Wallace (Y). Non-Public session was entered at 6:01 pm. Wallace moved; Bersaw 2nd; the Board voted to reconvene Public session.

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Wallace moved; Bersaw 2nd; the Board voted to seal the minutes.

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Walk in Appointment

Ann Hamilton met with the Board to discuss the Best Management Practices for the blasting at 343 Fitzwilliam Road, Map 407 Lot 095. Hamilton would like for the cell tower site plan review application to be reheard since there was not a blasting plan submitted with the original site plan review. Mr. Bersaw stated he is tired of Mrs. Hamilton's opinions.

Lloyd Condon met with the Board to state the blasting on Map 407 Lot 095 did not meet state regulations. Mr. Condon would like to have hardpack or gravel delivered to fix driveway that was damaged during the paving of Morgan Road. Mr. Condon would like to have the Town pay for the materials. Bersaw moved; Daniels 2nd; Board voted the materials will be paid by the Town.

UPCOMING SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING DATES

The Select Board will be holding a Special Defect Meeting on August 16, 2021 at 5:00 PM in the Selectmen's Office in the Richmond Town Hall at 105 Old Homestead Hwy in Richmond, N.H. 03470. The purpose of this hearing is to inform the public that the MS-636 budget form was not posted in accordance with RSA 32:5 and RSA 39:5. Pursuit to RSA 31:5-b a Special Defect Meeting will need to be held to correct the error.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Respectfully Submitted, Susan Harrington